

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims Status

Claims 1-8 are pending. Claims 1, 4, 5 and 8 are currently amended to (i) change “triphenylamine-like moiety structure” to “triarylamine sub-structure” as suggested by the Office, and (ii) remove “a phenyl group” from the definition of Ar₁, Ar₂ and Ar₃ in independent claims 1 and 5. No new matter has been entered.

Claim Objections

Claims 1, 4, 5 and 8 are objected to for including the indefinite phrase “triphenylamine-like moiety structure.” As noted above, this phrase has been changed to that suggested by the Office. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of these objections.

§102(b) Rejections

Claims 1-8 are rejected as anticipated by Ueda (JP 2000-063335), and are also rejected as anticipated by Inoue (JP 10-284252). Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections.

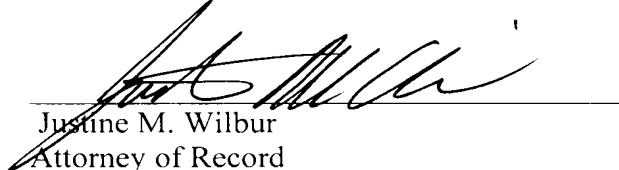
It is noted that current independent claims 1 and 5 have been amended such that Ar₁, Ar₂ and Ar₃ represent a biphenyl group or a terphenyl group (“a phenyl group” having been removed). Neither Ueda nor Inoue disclose arylamine compounds wherein the groups of these references corresponding to Ar₁, Ar₂ and Ar₃ of the present invention represent a biphenyl group or a terphenyl group. Accordingly, neither Ueda nor Inoue anticipate the claimed invention. As such, Applicants request withdrawal of the anticipation rejections over Ueda and Inoue.

Conclusion

Applicants submit that all now-pending claims are in condition for allowance.
Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of the objections and rejections and passage of this case to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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